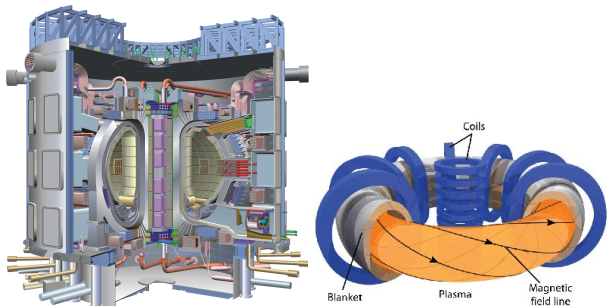


Mathematical properties of hierarchies of reduced MHD models



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Numerical modeling of the MHD stability of Tokamaks

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t \rho = -\nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{v}) + \nabla \cdot (D_{\perp} \nabla_{\perp} \rho) + S_{\rho}, \\ \rho \partial_t T = -\rho \mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla T - p \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} + \nabla \cdot (\kappa_{\perp} \nabla_{\perp} T + \kappa_{\parallel} \nabla_{\parallel} T) + S_T, \\ \frac{1}{R^2} \partial_t \psi = \eta(T) \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{1}{R^2} \nabla_{\perp} \psi \right) - \mathbf{B} \cdot \nabla u, \\ \mathbf{e}_{\theta} \cdot \nabla \wedge (\rho \partial_t \mathbf{v} = -\rho (\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{v} - \nabla p + \mathbf{J} \wedge \mathbf{B} + \mu \Delta \mathbf{v}), \\ \mathbf{B} \cdot (\rho \partial_t \mathbf{v} = -\rho (\mathbf{v} \cdot \nabla) \mathbf{v} - \nabla p + \mathbf{J} \wedge \mathbf{B} + \mu \Delta \mathbf{v}), \end{array} \right.$$

with

$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{F_0}{R} \mathbf{e}_{\theta} + \frac{1}{R} \nabla \psi \wedge \mathbf{e}_{\theta} \text{ and } \mathbf{v} = v_{\parallel} \mathbf{B} - R \nabla \varphi \wedge \mathbf{e}_{\theta}.$$

Note that $\mathbf{e}_{\theta} \cdot \nabla \wedge \mathbf{v} = \omega$ is the poloidal vorticity and φ is the poloidal velocity potential.

Pressure law provided by : $p = (\gamma - 1) \rho T$.

- Czarny-Huysmans : Bézier surfaces and finite elements for MHD simulations, JCP 2008.

- Hözl and al, Reduced-MHD Simulations of Toroidally and Poloidally Localized ELMs, 2012.

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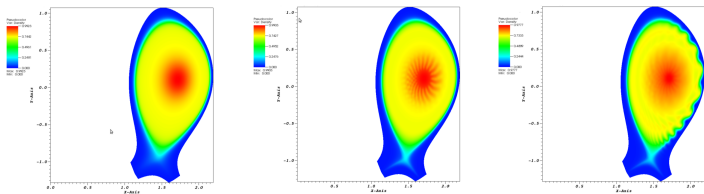
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Control of Edge Localized Modes (ELMs) fundamental for ITER



Reduced MHD models used to compute the growth rate of unstable modes (and much more things of course)



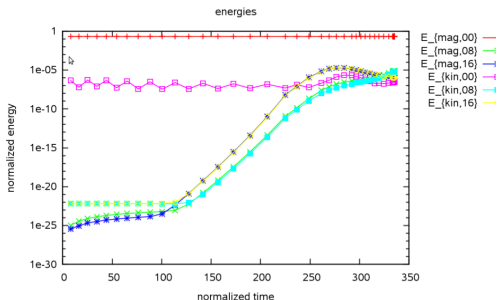
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Mathematical questions addressed in this talk :

- structure of reduced MHD models and
- comparison principle for the linear growth rate of reduced models.
- new models



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Reduction in the language of MHD

Toy model (before reduction) : a resistive MHD non linear system modeling the interaction of a ionized fluid with a strong magnetic field

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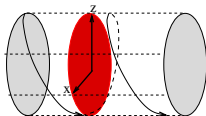
$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \rho & + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) & = 0, \\ \partial_t \mathbf{B} & - \nabla \wedge (\mathbf{u} \wedge \mathbf{B}) & = -\eta \nabla \wedge (\nabla \wedge \mathbf{B}) + \eta \nabla \wedge \mathbf{J}_b, \\ \partial_t (\rho \mathbf{u}) & + \nabla \cdot \left(\rho \mathbf{u}^2 + \frac{|\mathbf{B}|^2}{2} \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B}^2 + p \mathbf{I} \right) & = \nu \Delta \mathbf{u}. \end{cases}$$

- Viscosity is $\nu > 0$, resistivity is $\eta > 0$. The free divergence constraint must be added : $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$. An additional equation should be added for the temperature/entropy/pressure/total energy.
- Source is mandatory to study stationary solutions defined by

$$\nabla \wedge \mathbf{B} = \mathbf{J}_b, \quad \nabla \cdot \left(\frac{|\mathbf{B}|^2}{2} \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B}^2 + p \mathbf{I} \right) = 0.$$

Mathematical structure :

hyperbolic (non linear)-parabolic (linear) with source.



- Usual potential assumptions : F_0 is given and ψ is unknown such that

$$\mathbf{B} = F_0 \mathbf{e}_y + \nabla_{\perp} \psi \wedge \mathbf{e}_y = (\partial_z \psi(t, x, z), F_0, -\partial_x \psi(t, x, z))$$

- "Incompressibility" $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$ yields :
- $\mathbf{u} = \nabla \phi(t, x, z) \wedge \mathbf{e}_y = (-\partial_z \phi(t, x, z), 0, \partial_x \phi(t, x, z))$.
- That is we seek the unknowns in a linear space

$$(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{u}) \in \mathcal{K}_0 = U_0 + \mathcal{K}$$

where $\mathbf{x} \mapsto U_0 = (F_0 \mathbf{e}_y, 0)$ is a given function (can be a constant) and

$$\mathcal{K} = \text{Span} \{ \nabla_{\perp} \psi \wedge \mathbf{e}_y, \nabla_{\perp} \varphi \wedge \mathbf{e}_y \}$$

is a closed vectorial subspace of infinite dimension.

Assume for simplicity $\rho \equiv 1$: just two equations remain.

Let $\mathcal{C} = \Omega \times \mathbb{R}$ be the infinite cylinder in the y direction.

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$$\begin{cases} \int_{\mathcal{C}} \left(\partial_t \mathbf{u} + \nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} \otimes \mathbf{u} + \frac{1}{\mu_0} (\nabla \wedge \mathbf{B}) \wedge \mathbf{B} \right) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{u}} \, dv = 0, & \forall \hat{\mathbf{u}}, \\ \int_{\mathcal{C}} (\partial_t \mathbf{B} - \nabla \wedge (\mathbf{u} \wedge \mathbf{B})) \cdot \hat{\mathbf{B}} \, dv = 0, & \forall \hat{\mathbf{B}}. \end{cases}$$

The test functions are $\hat{\mathbf{u}} = \nabla_{\perp} \hat{\phi}(x, z) \wedge \mathbf{e}_y$ and $\hat{\mathbf{B}} = \nabla_{\perp} \hat{\psi}(x, z) \wedge \mathbf{e}_y$, that is $(\hat{\mathbf{u}}, \hat{\mathbf{B}}) \in \mathcal{K}$.

The unknowns are

$$\mathbf{u} = \nabla_{\perp} \phi(t, x, z) \wedge \mathbf{e}_y \text{ and } \mathbf{B} = F_0 \mathbf{e}_y + \nabla_{\perp} \psi(t, x, z) \wedge \mathbf{e}_y$$

that is $(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{B}) \in \mathcal{K}_0$ where $\mathcal{K}_0 = (0, F_0 \mathbf{e}_y) + \mathcal{K}$.

After integration by parts (with vanishing Dirichlet boundary data) and some amount of differential calculus such as $\nabla_{\perp} \tilde{\phi} \wedge \mathbf{e}_y = \text{curl}(\mathbf{e}_y \tilde{\phi})$, the end result is ...

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...the incompressible model in the 2D domain

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \psi = [\psi, \varphi], & \mathbf{B} = \text{curl } \psi, \\ \partial_t \omega = [\omega, \varphi] + [\psi, \Delta_{\perp} \psi], & \\ \Delta_{\perp} \varphi = \omega, & \mathbf{u} = \text{curl } \varphi. \end{cases}$$

The Poisson bracket is $[a, b] = \partial_x a \partial_y b - \partial_y a \partial_x b : (x, y) \in \Omega$.

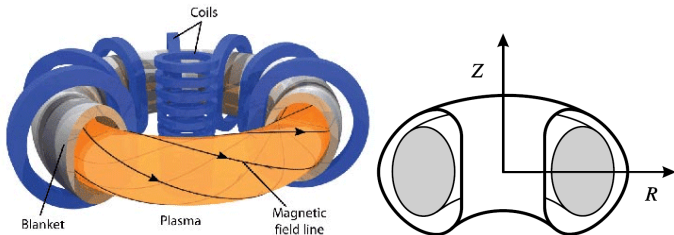
$\psi(t, x, y)$ is the magnetic potential

$\omega(t, x, y)$ is the fluid vorticity

$\varphi(t, x, y)$ is the fluid potential

- Strauss 76', 82', ...

Next question : is it possible to generalize to more general sets \mathcal{K} needed for Tokamaks?



Change of coordinates : $(R, Z) \in \Omega$ and $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$, with
 $x = R \cos \theta$, $y = R \sin \theta$, $z = Z$.

Local frame is $(\mathbf{e}_R, \mathbf{e}_Z, \mathbf{e}_\theta) = (\nabla R, \nabla Z, R\nabla\theta)$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{B} - F_0 \nabla \theta &= \nabla \psi \wedge \nabla \theta = \text{curl}(\psi \nabla \theta) = \frac{1}{R} \nabla \psi \wedge \nabla \mathbf{e}_\theta \\ \mathbf{u} &= \nabla \varphi \wedge \nabla \theta = \text{curl}(\varphi \nabla \theta) = \frac{1}{R} \nabla \varphi \wedge \nabla \mathbf{e}_\theta. \end{aligned}$$

By construction $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$, $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$, $\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{e}_\theta = \frac{F_0}{R}$, $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{e}_\theta = 0$.

It defines a linear space \mathcal{K}_0 such that $(\mathbf{B}, \mathbf{u}) \in \mathcal{K}_0$.



Reduction in the language of hyper. cons. laws

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- Let $\mathbf{x} \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is a given open domain, typically a cylinder $\Omega = \mathcal{C}$ or a torus $\Omega = \mathcal{T}$.

- Start with a system of non linear conservation laws in dimension $d \geq 1$

$$\partial_t U + \nabla \cdot f(U) = 0.$$

- Assume an **additional compatible conservation law**

$\partial_t S(U) + \nabla \cdot F(U) = 0$, where the function $U \mapsto S(U) \in \mathbb{R}$ is strictly convex : define the adjoint variable

$$V = \nabla S(U).$$

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- Godunov 60'.
 - In practice S is the energy or the entropy.
 - $S^*(V) = (V, U) - S(U(V))$, $F^*(V) = (V, f(U)) - F(U(V))$
 - $U = \nabla S^*(V)$



Let $\mathcal{K} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ be a given vectorial subspace

$$\mathcal{K} = \text{Span} \{Z_1, \dots, Z_p\}, \quad p < n.$$

A reduced model (in dimension p) writes

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t(U, Z_i) + \nabla \cdot (f(U)Z_i) = 0, & 1 \leq i \leq p, \\ V \in \mathcal{K}. \end{cases}$$

More precisely $V(t, x) = \lambda_1(t, x)Z_1 + \dots + \lambda_p(t, x)Z_p$.

Theorem (Boillat-Ruggieri, Chen-Levermore-Liu '94') :
the reduced model is conservative and hyperbolic.

- If $S = \frac{1}{2}|U|^2$ and $V \equiv U$, it is the standard Galerkin projection.
- Algebra is the same in infinite dimension.



Reduction in both languages

- Consider any **linear** subspace of $X^n = C^1(\Omega)^n$ defined by

$$\mathcal{K}_0 = V_0(\mathbf{x}) + \mathcal{K} \subset X^n \quad (1)$$

where $\mathbf{x} \mapsto V_0(\mathbf{x}) \in X^n$ is a given function and $\mathcal{K} \subset X^n$ is a closed vectorial subspace of **infinite dimension**.

- Neglect boundary conditions and consider the reduced system in **weak formulation**

$$\begin{cases} \int_{\Omega} [\partial_t U + \nabla \cdot f(U), Z] dv = 0, & \forall \text{ test function } Z \in \mathcal{K}, \\ V \in \mathcal{K}_0. \end{cases}$$

We say the model is **hyperbolic-compatible**.

Notice that

$$V - V_0 \in \mathcal{K}$$

can be thought of as being an "infinite sum" (an integral) of "basis" (individual) functions in \mathcal{K} .



First property : entropy/energy preservation

Set the **relative entropy** $\widehat{S}_0(U, \mathbf{x}) = S(U) - (V_0(\mathbf{x}), U)$.

Prop. A model with hyperbolic compatibility satisfies

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \widehat{S}_0(U, \mathbf{x}) dv = \int_{\Omega} (\nabla V_0(\mathbf{x}) : f(U)) dv + \text{b.c.} \quad (2)$$

where b.c. represents integrals on the boundary $\partial\Omega$
and $:$ is the contraction of tensors.

Proof : by definition \mathcal{K}_0 is affine and $V - V_0 \in \mathcal{K}$. So

$$\int_{\Omega} [(\partial_t U, V - V_0) + (\nabla \cdot f(U), V - V_0)] dv = 0.$$

It yields

$$\int_{\Omega} \partial_t \widehat{S}_0(U, \mathbf{x}) dv = - \int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot F(U) dv + \int_{\Omega} (\nabla \cdot f(U), V_0) dv.$$

Integration by parts yields the result.



Second property : comparison principle

Assume U_0 is a special rest state $f(U_0) = 0$
(and that V_0 corresponds to U_0).

Add source, dissipation (and simplify)

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \int_{\Omega} [\partial_t U + \nabla \cdot f(U) - \nu \Delta(U - U_0), Z] dv = 0, \quad \forall Z \in d\mathcal{K}, \\ V \in \mathcal{K}. \end{array} \right.$$

Notice that U_0 is incorporated in the dissipation term to respect the rest state. For Tokamaks, $J_c = \nu \Delta U_0$ corresponds to the bootstrap current. Other dissipative terms can be accounted for.

Fundamental question : determine the growth rate of perturbations around rest states.

Theorem : one can prove

$$\mathcal{K}_1 \subset \mathcal{K}_2 \implies \lambda(\mathcal{K}_1) \leq \lambda(\mathcal{K}_2).$$

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One linearizes : $V = V_0 + \varepsilon V_1 \dots$

One finds out

$$\int_{\Omega} (\partial_t (A_0(x) V_1) + \nabla \cdot (B_0(x) V_1) - \nu \nabla \cdot (A_0(x) \nabla V_1) , Z) dv = 0$$

where $A_0(x) = \nabla S_{V_0}^* = A_0^t(x) > 0$ and $B_0(x) = \nabla F_{V_0}^* = B_0^t(x)$.

The symmetry of the tensors is fundamental.

Here S^* and F^* are the Legendre and polar transforms of S and F .

Next step : take $Z = V_1$ and integrate by parts.



One has

$$\frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} (V_1, A_0 V_1) dv = \int_{\Omega} (\nabla \cdot B_0 V_1, V_1) dv - 2\nu \int_{\Omega} (A_0 \nabla V_1 : \nabla V_1) dv.$$

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Define the space : $Y(\mathcal{K}) = \text{closure of } \mathcal{K} \subset H_0^1(\Omega)^n$.

Define the real number $\lambda(\mathcal{K}) \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\lambda(\mathcal{K}) = \max_{V_1 \in Y(\mathcal{K})} \frac{\int_{\Omega} ((\nabla \cdot B_0(x)) V_1, V_1) dv - 2\nu \int_{\Omega} (A_0(x) \nabla V_1 : \nabla V_1) dv}{\int_{\Omega} (V_1, A_0(x) V_1) dv}.$$

- Rest state constant in space $\implies \lambda(\mathcal{K}) \leq 0$. This is the usual hyperbolic criterion.
- Concavity $\nabla \cdot B_0(x) \leq 0 \implies \lambda(\mathcal{K}) \leq 0$
- Gronwall lemma states that $(\int_{\Omega} (V_1, A_0 V_1) dv)(t) \leq Ce^{\lambda(\mathcal{K})t}$
- $\lambda(\mathcal{K})$ is an upper bound of the rate of growth of linear perturbations.
- By definition $\mathcal{K}_1 \subset \mathcal{K}_2 \implies \lambda(\mathcal{K}_1) \leq \lambda(\mathcal{K}_2)$.

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- Simpler Rayleigh-Ritz quotients exist in ideal MHD, see Schnack.
 - Comparison between Schnack approach and new approach to be done.



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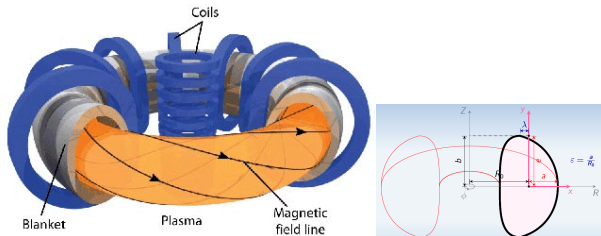
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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t \rho \quad + \nabla \cdot (\rho \mathbf{u}) \\ \partial_t \mathbf{B} \quad - \nabla \wedge (\mathbf{u} \wedge \mathbf{B}) \\ \partial_t (\rho \mathbf{u}) \quad + \nabla \cdot \left(\rho \mathbf{u}^2 + \frac{|\mathbf{B}|^2}{2} \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{B}^2 + p \mathbf{I} \right) \end{array} \right. \begin{array}{l} = 0, \\ = -\eta \nabla \wedge (\nabla \wedge \mathbf{B}) \quad + \eta \nabla \wedge \mathbf{J}_b, \\ = \nu \Delta \mathbf{u}. \end{array}$$

Closure is with the energy $\rho e = \rho \epsilon + \rho \frac{1}{2} |\mathbf{u}|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |\mathbf{B}|^2$, that is $S = \rho e$.

- Consider the toroidal case,
- Define set \mathcal{K}_0 with increasing geometrical structures, and so with increasing complexity : choosing \mathcal{K}_0 means filtering the dynamics choosing physical glasses
- Make all calculations for the weak formulation (not shown),
- Write down the strong formulations of the corresponding entropy-Petrov-Galerkin. They will be of Navier-Stokes type,
- Provide additional comments (well posedness, ...).



The curvature is $\varepsilon = \frac{R_+ - R_-}{R_+ + R_-} < 1$ and $R = 1 + \varepsilon x$.

Remark : small curvature is used in the usual derivation of the model : but $\varepsilon = 0.3$ for ITER.

Additional small physical parameter is $\beta = \frac{p}{|B|}$.



Representation formulas in the torus

New coordinates $X = R \cos \Theta$, $Y = R \sin \Theta$, Z with $(R, Z) \in \Omega$. The **toroidal variable** is $\Theta \in [0, 2\pi]$.

The local directions are $(\mathbf{e}_R, \mathbf{e}_Z, \mathbf{e}_\Theta)$

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{e}_R = \nabla R & = & (\cos \Theta, \sin \Theta, 0), \\ \mathbf{e}_\Theta = R \nabla \Theta & = & (-\sin \Theta, \cos \Theta, 0), \\ \mathbf{e}_Z = \nabla Z & = & (0, 0, 1). \end{cases}$$

Consider the Ansatz

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{B} - F_0 \nabla \Theta &= \nabla \psi \wedge \nabla \Theta = \text{curl}(\psi \nabla \Theta) = \frac{1}{R} \nabla \psi \wedge \nabla \mathbf{e}_\Theta \\ \mathbf{u} &= \nabla \varphi \wedge \nabla \Theta = \text{curl}(\varphi \nabla \Theta) = \frac{1}{R} \nabla \varphi \wedge \nabla \mathbf{e}_\Theta. \end{aligned}$$

- By construction $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{B} = 0$, $\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u} = 0$, $\mathbf{B} \cdot \mathbf{e}_\Theta = \frac{F_0}{R}$, $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{e}_\Theta = 0$.

- Note that representation is more $\mathbf{u} = -R \nabla \varphi \wedge \mathbf{e}_\Theta$ in Jorek models.

Let $\rho = \rho_0 > 0$ be a given density (i.e. a given positive function).

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{B} - F_0 \nabla \Theta &= \nabla \psi \wedge \nabla \Theta = \text{curl}(\psi \nabla \Theta) = \frac{1}{R} \nabla \psi \wedge \nabla \mathbf{e}_\Theta \\ \rho \mathbf{0} &= \frac{1}{R} \nabla \varphi \wedge \nabla \Theta = \frac{1}{R} \text{curl}(\varphi \nabla \Theta) = \frac{1}{R} \nabla \varphi \wedge \nabla \mathbf{e}_\Theta. \end{aligned}$$

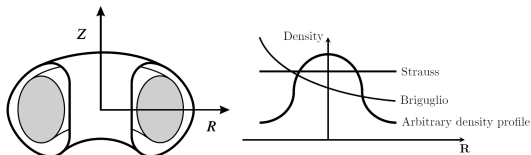
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$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \psi = \frac{1}{\rho R} [\psi, \varphi] + \eta \Delta^* \psi - J_b, & J_b \text{ is a source term,} \\ \partial_t \omega = \frac{1}{\rho R} [\omega, \varphi] - 2 \frac{1}{(\rho R)^2} [\rho R, \varphi] \omega + \rho R \left[\psi, \frac{1}{\rho R^2} \Delta^* \psi \right] - \nu \Delta_\perp^p \omega, \\ \Delta_\rho \varphi = \omega. \end{cases}$$



The domain is $(R, Z) \in \Omega$. The system is supplemented with natural boundary conditions $\psi = \varphi = \omega = 0$ on $\partial\Omega$ or $\psi = \varphi = \partial_n \varphi = 0$ on $\partial\Omega$.



The fundamental energy estimate

Property $J_c = 0$, $\eta > 0$ and $\nu > 0$.

For regular solutions, one has

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\nabla\psi|^2}{2R} + \frac{|\nabla\varphi|^2}{2\rho R} \\ &= -\eta \int_{\Omega} \frac{(\Delta_{\perp}^* \psi)^2}{R} - \nu \int_{\Omega} \frac{\omega^2}{\rho R} \leq 0, \quad (\text{measure : } d\Omega = dRdZ). \end{aligned}$$

Proof : Multiply the first eq. by $-\frac{\Delta_{\perp}^* \psi}{R}$, the second eq. by $-\frac{\varphi}{\rho R}$. Then integrate by parts and use basic identities.

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- D.-Sart : Reduced resistive MHD in Tokamaks with general density, M2AN 2012. Assume $\eta, \nu > 0$: Existence of *weak solutions* based on energy estimates plus compactness in convenient spaces $H^2 \cap \{b.c.\}$.
 - Same structure as potential formulations of Navier-Stokes equation : Chorin, Temam, ...

Numerical example (data from Fujita).

Computations performed in a **2D simple FreeFem++** code initiated at Cemracs ...

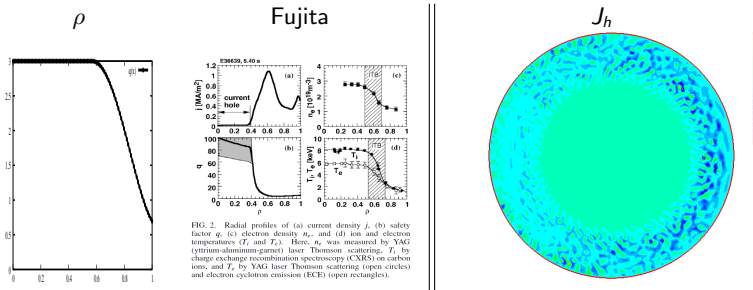
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Dirichlet conditions for all variables $\eta = 10^{-4}$, $\nu = 10^{-5}$, $\rho = \text{given}$,
 $\varepsilon = 0.3$, $J_{\text{boot}} = -\partial_r \rho$.



- Unconditionally stable numerical simulations of a new generalized reduced resistive magnetohydrodynamics model, Malapaka-D., Sart, IJNMF, 2014.



2D with non constant F and $\rho = 1$

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Start from $\mathbf{B} = F(R, Z)\nabla\theta + \nabla\psi(R, Z) \wedge \nabla\theta$ and $\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{R}\nabla\varphi(R, Z) \wedge \nabla\theta$.
One gets

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t\psi = \frac{1}{\rho R} [\psi, \phi] + \eta\Delta_{\perp}^*\psi, \\ \partial_t\omega = \rho r \left[\frac{1}{(\rho R)^2}\omega, \phi \right] - \rho R \left[\frac{F}{\rho R^2}, F \right] - \rho R \left[\frac{1}{\rho R^2}\Delta_{\perp}^*\psi, \psi \right] + \nu\Delta_{\perp}^{\rho}\omega, \\ \omega = \Delta_{\perp}^{\rho}\phi. \end{cases}$$

Prop : Consider a solution of the Grad-Shafranov equation

$$\Delta_{\perp}^*\bar{\psi} = -R^2 \frac{d\bar{\rho}}{d\bar{\psi}} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{d\bar{F}^2}{d\bar{\psi}}.$$

Setting $\rho = \rho(\bar{\rho})$ and $(\psi, \omega) = (\bar{\psi}, 0)$, it yields a stationary solution of the dynamical model.

$\Omega = \{(x, z) \in \mathcal{D} \text{ and } \theta \in [0, 2\pi]\}$.

Start from $\mathbf{B} = F_0 \nabla \theta + \nabla \psi(R, Z, \theta) \wedge \nabla \theta$ and $\mathbf{u} = \frac{1}{R} \nabla \varphi(R, Z, \theta) \wedge \nabla \theta$.

One gets

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \psi = \frac{1}{R} [\psi, \phi] + \eta_\perp \Delta^* \psi + \eta_\parallel \partial_\theta^2 \psi + \frac{1}{R^2} F_0 \partial_\theta \phi + Q, \\ \partial_t \omega = r \left[\frac{1}{R^2} \omega, \phi \right] + R \left[\psi, \frac{1}{R^2} \Delta^* \psi \right] + \nu_\perp \Delta^* \omega + \nu_\parallel \partial_\theta^2 \omega + \frac{1}{R^2} F_0 \Delta^{***} \partial_\theta \psi, \\ \omega = \Delta^* \phi. \end{cases}$$

- The coupling of different toroidal modes is with ∂_θ derivative.
- The source term Q is defined by the weak form

$$\int_{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{R} \left(\partial_R Q \partial_R \tilde{\psi} + \partial_Z Q \partial_R \tilde{\psi} \right) = 2 F_0 \int_{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{R^4} \partial_\theta \phi \partial_R \tilde{\psi}, \quad \forall \tilde{\psi} \in H_0^1(\mathcal{D}).$$



B.C. are : $\psi = \phi = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial n} = 0$. Energy identity is

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{R} \left(|\nabla_{R,Z} \psi|^2 + |\nabla_{R,Z} \phi|^2 \right) \\ & + \eta_{\perp} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\Delta^* \psi|^2}{R} + \nu_{\perp} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\Delta^* \phi|^2}{R} \\ & + \eta_{\parallel} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\partial_{\theta} \nabla_{R,Z} \psi|^2}{R} + \nu_{\parallel} \int_{\Omega} \frac{|\partial_{\theta} \nabla_{R,Z} \phi|^2}{R} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

Theor. : Assume $\eta_{\perp}, \nu_{\perp}, \eta_{\parallel}, \nu_{\parallel} > 0$.

There exists a weak solution $(\psi, \phi) \in L^2([0, T] : H^2(\Omega)^2)$ with initial data $(\psi_0, \phi_0) \in H^2(\Omega)^2 \cap \{b.c.\}$. Regularity can be precized.

Proof : use the energy identity as an a priori identity, and follow Temam, Navier-Stokes Equations : Theory and Numerical Analysis, AMS(2001)



Bounded number of Fourier modes : = $2D^{\frac{1}{2}}$

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- One can plug

$$\psi_N = \sum_{-N \leq n \leq N} \psi_n(R, Z) e^{in\theta}$$

in the weak formulation.

- All terms can be computed explicitly in a code, as in Jorek code.

- Denote λ_N the maximal growth rate of eigenmodes.

One has the inequality

$$\lambda_N \leq \lambda_{N+1} \leq \dots \leq \lambda_\infty.$$



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Conclusion



- Physical basis : reduced MHD models obtained by filtering out the non essential part helps to get understanding of the physics
- Hierarchy of Navier-Stokes models for the modeling of reduced MHD in Tokamaks. Mathematical basis is Weak formulation.
- The geometry of the torus is taken into account by construction.
- Two mathematical results are
 - Comparison principle for the growth rate of instability (inherited from the Hyperbolic theory)
 - Well-posedness (existence) of viscous formulations in Sobolev spaces (inherited from the Navier-Stokes theory)
- Use of these structure and results for preconditioning of "real" calculations still to be done.
Weak formulation also appealing for numerical purposes (Nkongu).

- Navier-Stokes hierarchies of reduced MHD models in Tokamak geometry, HAL preprint server, D.-Sart.